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**THE VACUUM
STRIKES AGAIN!**

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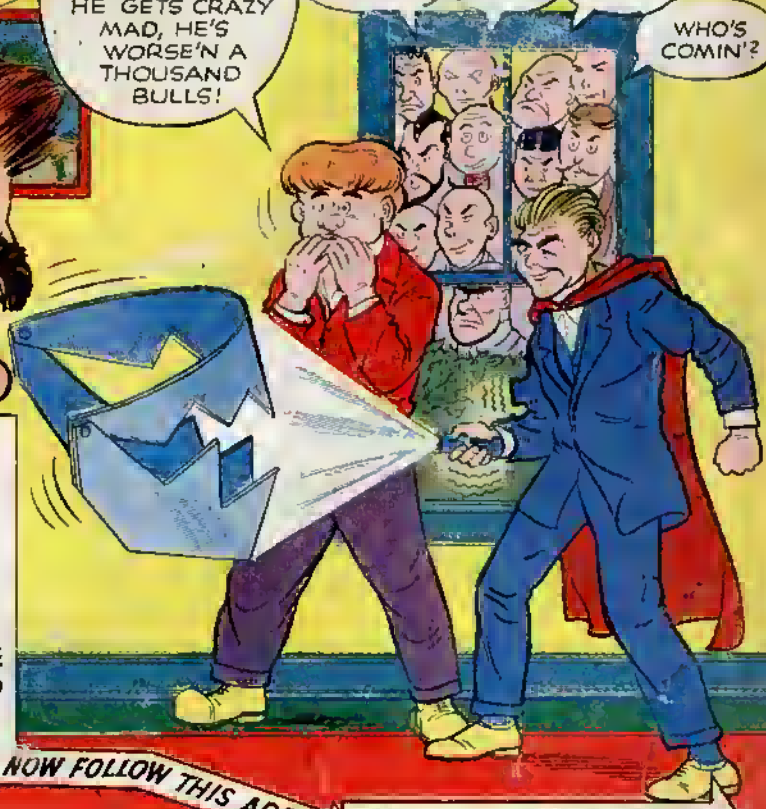
YA SHOULD'VE
NOT DONE DAT...
VACUUM! WHEN
HE GETS CRAZY
MAD, HE'S
WORSE'N A
THOUSAND
BULLS!

GOOD-BY!
I'M
LEAVIN'!

SEE YA
ALL
LATER!

I'VE
GOT A
DATE!

WHO'S
COMIN'?



CENSORED!
IT WAS THOUGHT
INADVISABLE TO
SHOW **IRON JAW**
WITHOUT HIS
CHOPPERS BECAUSE
THE LAST TIME WE
DID, FIVE HUNDRED
WOMEN FAINTED
AT ITS SIGHT!

NOW FOLLOW THIS ARROW

INTO THE FIREWORKS!
ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN
AND DOES WHEN **IRON
JAW** IS ALLOWED TO JOIN
THE DEADLY DOZEN!!

CHARLES
BIRD

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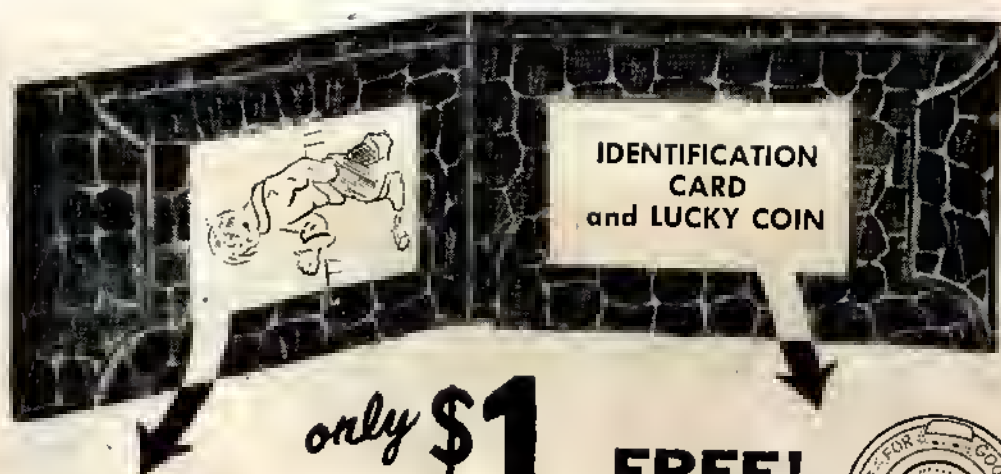
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your favorite comic character in an

ALLIGATOR GRAIN

LONG-LIFE
PLASTIC

WALLET



FREE!

only \$1 **FREE!**



Any said listed below. Write in on coupon which said you want.

Sluggsy	Squeaks
Grasshopper Jones	The Vacuum
Iron Jaw	Rosky X
Wile Guys Group	(of Rockabots)
Crimebuster	Bumps
and Squeaks	Cully
Religion	Scorciaw
Black Diamond	Simpy Smith
and Religion	Dilly Dunsoo

This handsome wallet looks like finest alligator. Has beautiful grain, rich alligator color you see in wallets that cost \$40 or \$50. And yet it's yours for only \$1! And with wallet we send FREE OF CHARGE, a full-color picture of your favorite comic character AND ALSO FREE, a good-luck coin.

Wallet has identification card, generous space for bills—and a secret compartment! Send for it now—mail coupon today. We'll rush wallet, free coin—and free card.

"Lucky Coin" to carry in your wallet, pocket or handbag. Said to bring good luck and success. You get one absolutely FREE in your wallet.

MAIL COUPON TODAY!

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2 Marble Avenue, Pleasantville, N. Y.

Please send me _____ wallet(s) with lucky coin and the character(s) written here.

I enclose \$1 plus 20¢ Federal tax, \$1.20 in all.
(We pay postage.)

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____

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CRIMEBUSTER AND THE VACUUM IN STRENGTH OF A HUNDRED MEN

SHOULD YOU EVER HOLD A LARGE SUM OF MONEY TIGHTLY IN YOUR HANDS AND, AGAINST YOUR MIGHTIEST RESISTANCE, IT IS PULLED FROM YOUR GRIP BY SOME INVISIBLE FORCE, YOU WILL HAVE BEEN ROBBED BY THE VACUUM! IF ONE CAN SAY ANYTHING AT ALL GOOD ABOUT HIM, IT IS ONLY THAT THE VACUUM IS NOT A KILLER! HOWEVER, IT IS A MIRACLE THAT SOME OF HIS VICTIMS HAVE ESCAPED DEATH! WERE HIS ATOMIC PUMP MADE IMMOVABLE, ITS BLASTS COULD STOP A RACING LOCOMOTIVE! THIS FANTASTIC WEAPON, COMBINED WITH AN EVEN STRANGER MENTALITY, COMPOSE THE MOST FORMIDABLE CHALLENGE EVER FACED BY CRIMEBUSTER!

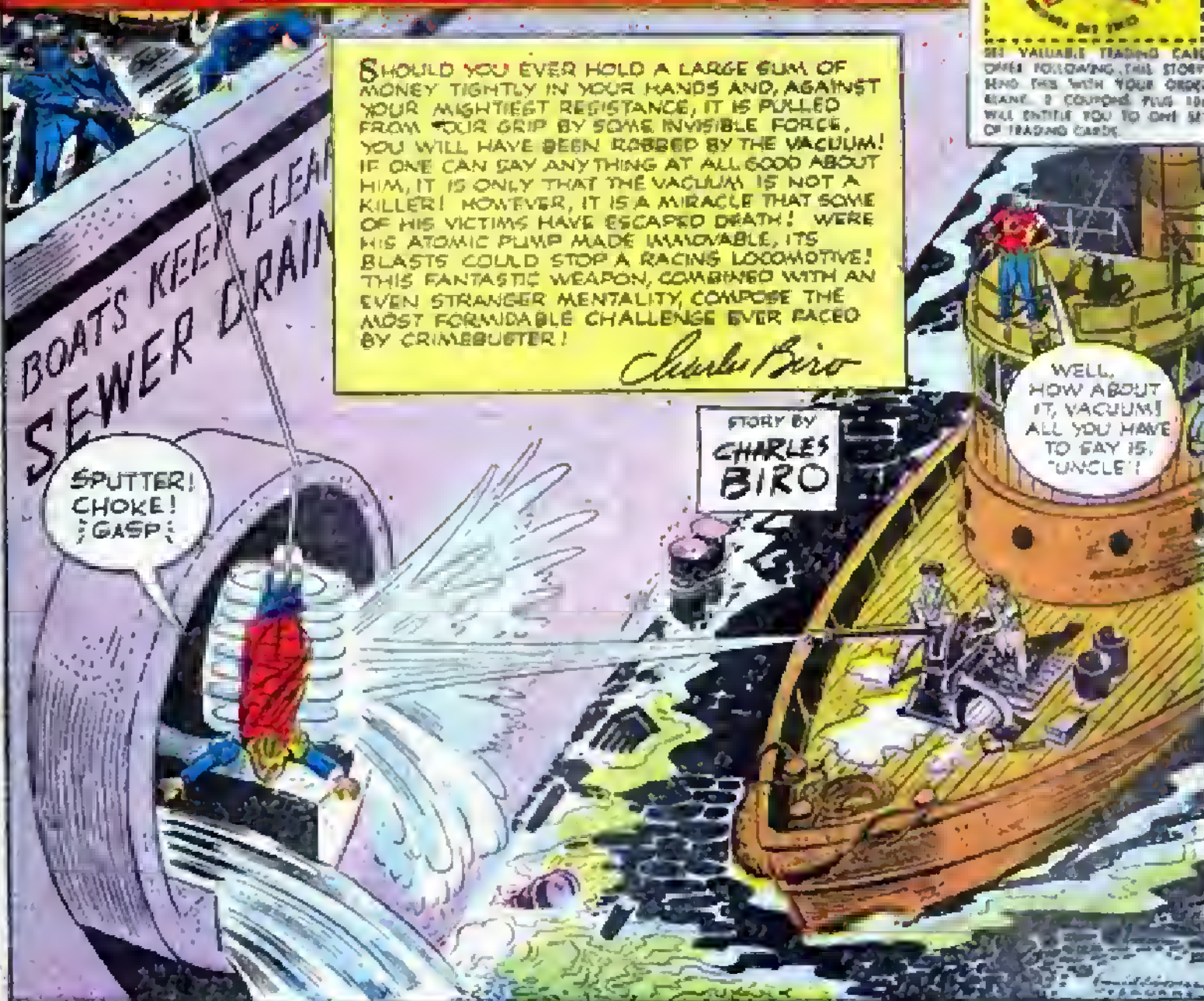
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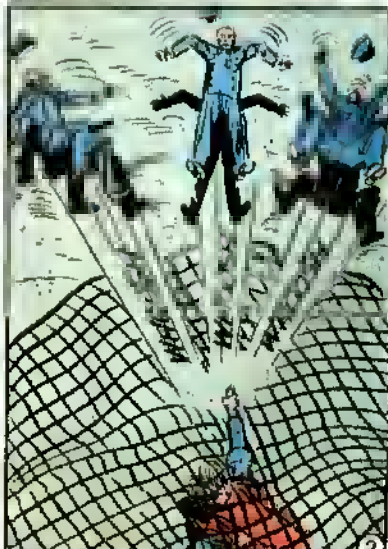
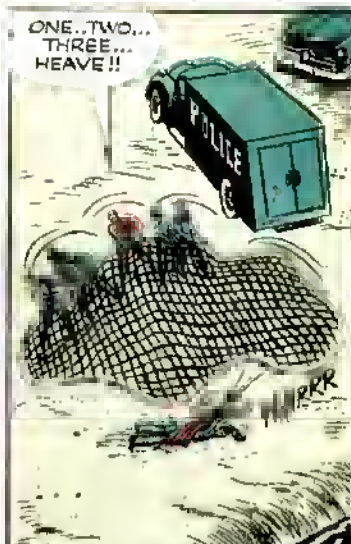
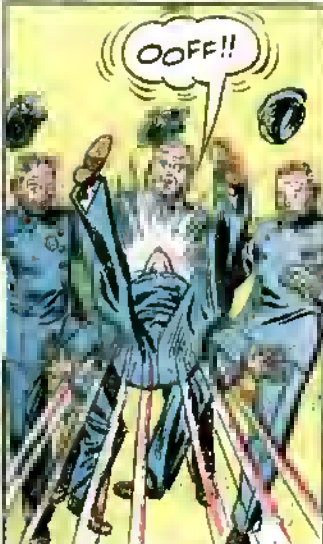
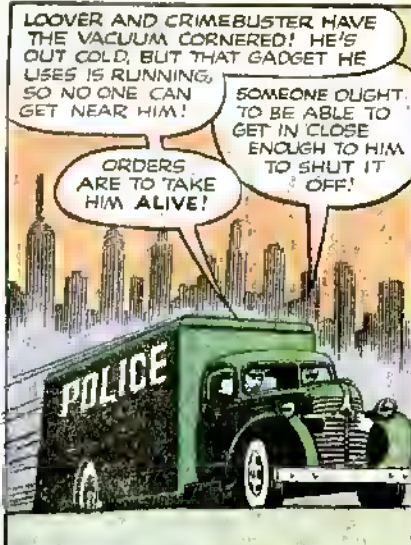
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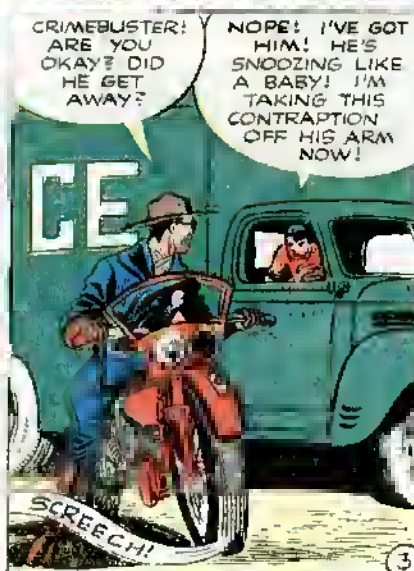
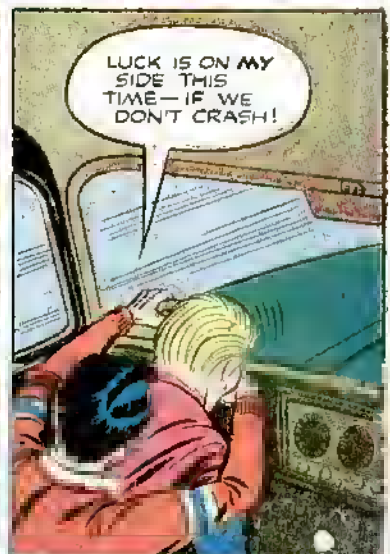
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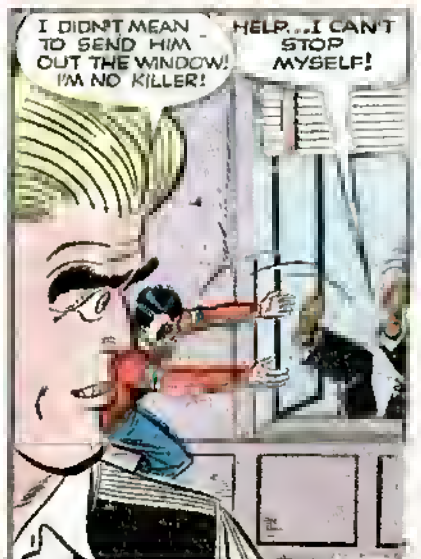
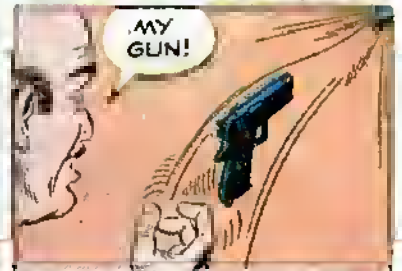
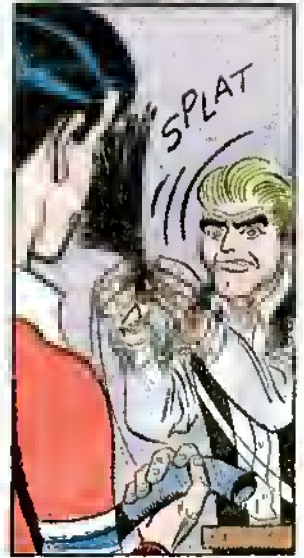


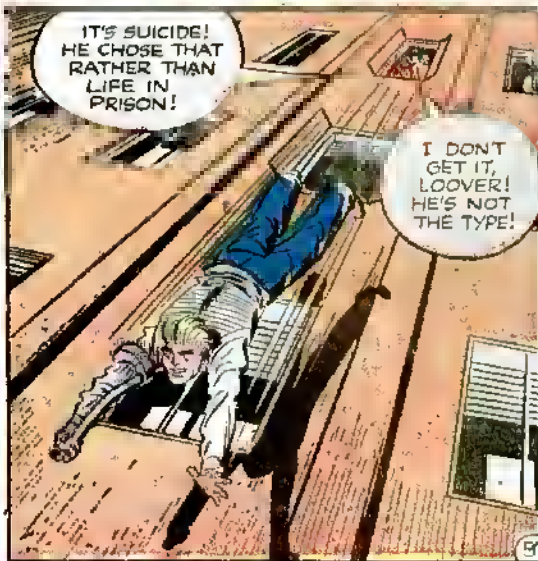
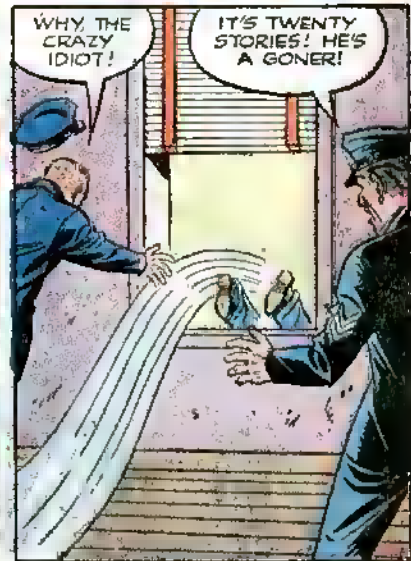
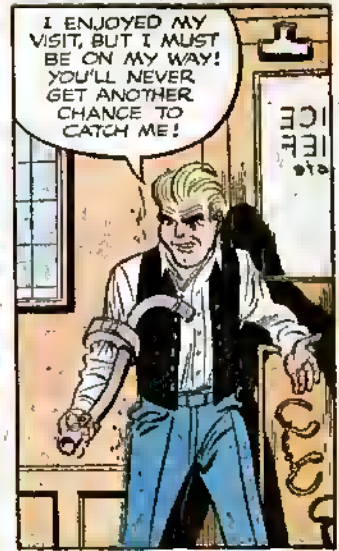
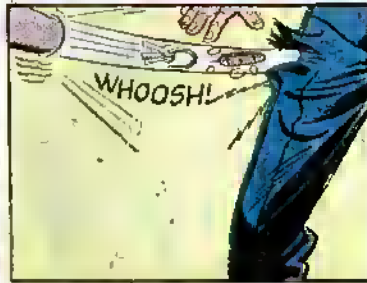
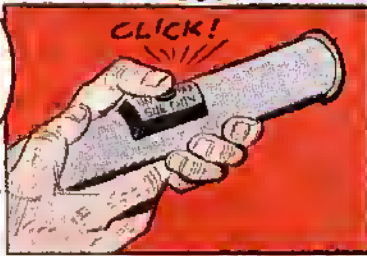
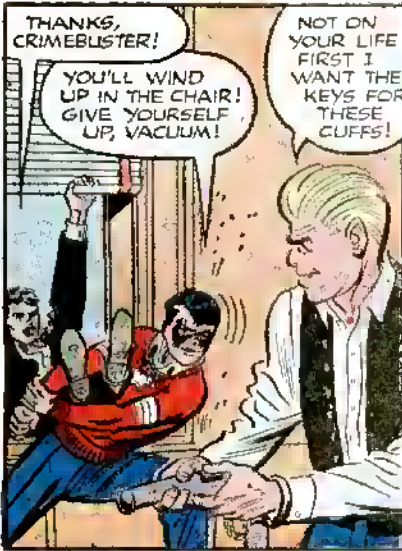
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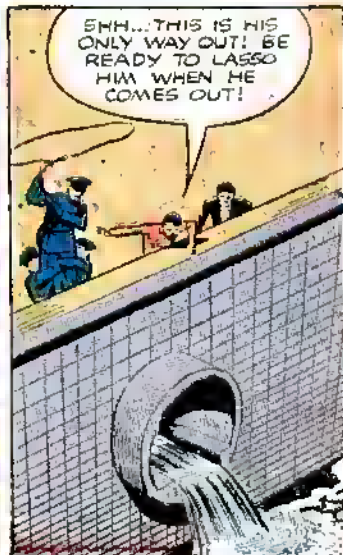
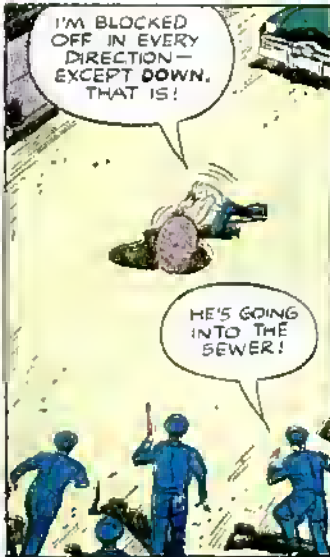
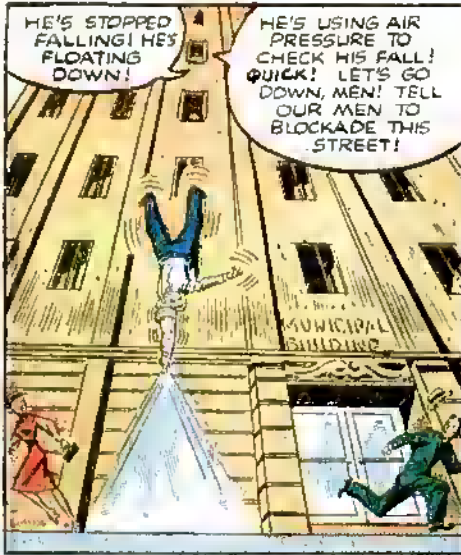


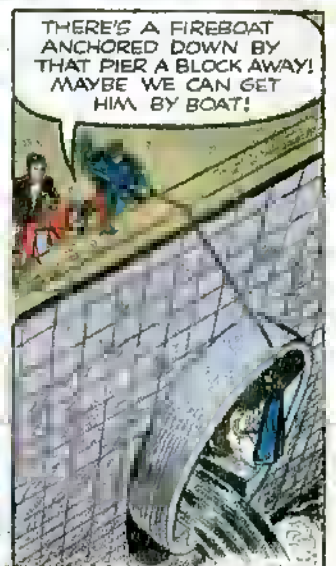
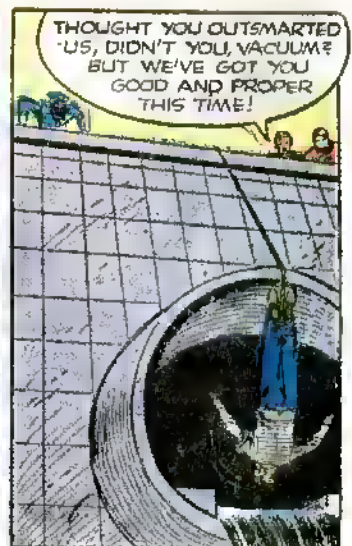
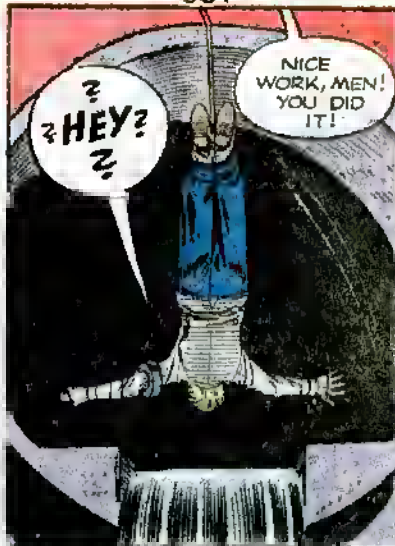














SO YOU THINK THE VACUUM'S CAREER IS ENDED!

DON'T BE TOO SURE! IT'S NOT SMART TO COUNT YOUR CHICKENS BEFORE THEY'RE HATCHED! THE VACUUM HAS LOTS OF TRICKS UP HIS SLEEVE—INCLUDING THE ATOM-POWERED PUMP!



WALKIE TALKIES

POWERED BY ORIGINAL REMCO ELECTRO-MAGNETIC CHASSIS, U. S. GOVERNMENT PATENT NO. 2,538,179

TWO-WAY WALKER TALKIES

RADIO RECEIVER AND INTERPHONE

TWO-WAY COMMUNICATIONS: Set consists of TWO (2) "Transmitters" ready to hook up between any two points. No license needed! Powered by new patented Remco electro-magnetic chassis. Precise, foolproof operation is guaranteed.

BROADCAST BY HOME RADIO: Either or both of your Walkie Talkies can be hooked up so you can talk into them and hear your voice come out of the radio speaker. "Broadcast" from another room or another part of the house. Strictly your friends—plan your own radio programs and announcements.

RECEIVE LOCAL BROADCAST STATIONS: Your Walkie Talkies can easily be converted to the broadcast band and listen as your own private radio receiver. The REMCO plug-in retinal adapter and aerial attachment will permit reception on broadcast frequencies. Adapter and aerial attachment only \$1.98 (optional)

Sets are ruggedly constructed of high quality injection molded plastic; engineered for utility and extra long service. This is not a big but a factory tested and guaranteed communication system. Both sets and radio receiver \$5.47. Guaranteed—your money refunded in full.

YOU MAY WALKIE TALKIES only **\$3.99** (complete)

EMPIRE MSG. CO. Dept. W1, 53 CENTRAL AVE. DASHING, N. Y.

Tricku VANISHING CARD

A SENSATIONAL TRICK that makes a magician of YOU! A Card is free! Shown, yet disappears from hand to reappear in spectators pocket. **ITS FREE!** If you send us 25¢ Can or stamps for our "BIG" Catalog of 400 Illustrated Tricks.

The MAGICIAN LG
2445 MEVINGTON ST. PHILADELPHIA 23, PA.

TINY ATOM ELECTRIC MOTOR

This is a well designed quality motor. Field is permanent Alnico magnet. Bearings are brass, brushes phosphor bronze—and it comes in.

COMPLETE KIT WITH GEAR TRAIN, SHAFTS, PULLEY AND MOUNTING TO POWER DRIVE

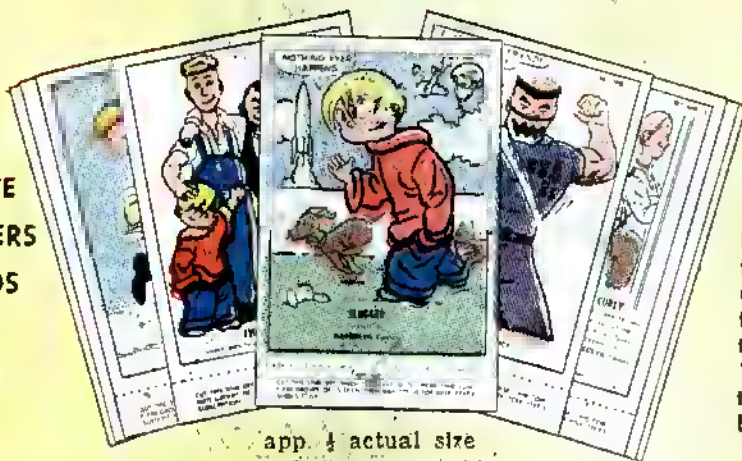
Mechanical toys, flashers, turntables, moving signs, etc. Complete kit, boxed with all parts sturdily built of steel and brass—and guaranteed—only \$3.98. Send check, cash or money order to:

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1 Marble Avenue, Pleasantville, N. Y.

THE HIT OF THE YEAR

LEV GLEASON COMICS PICTURE TRADING CARDS

YOUR
FAVORITE
CHARACTERS
ON CARDS
IN FULL
COLOR!



app. 1 actual size

QUICK!
START YOUR
COLLECTION
NOW!

Everybody wants these cards. Decorate your room, trade them, give them to friends. Your set will be the envy of everybody you know!

HERE'S ALL YOU HAVE TO DO TO GET ANY SET YOU WANT! You will find a special trading card coupon on the top of the first page of this magazine. Until further notice these coupons will be found in all of the following Lev Gleason Comics: **CRIME DOES NOT PAY, BOY, CRIME & PUNISHMENT, DAREDEVIL and BLACK DIAMOND.**

Just send us **TWO** of these coupons, with 10¢ (no stamps, please) and we will send you any set of trading cards you want. You can pick your own sets. They are listed in the box below. And you can order as many sets as you like. Just remember to send two coupons and 10¢ for each set. There are 5 sets in all. Get all of them and have the best collection yourself!

THIS IS A SAMPLE OF THE COUPON YOU NEED TO GET YOUR TRADING CARDS. YOU WILL FIND IT ON THE FIRST INSIDE PAGE OF EACH MAGAZINE. SEND IT WITH YOUR ORDER BLANK. 2 COUPONS PLUS 10¢ WILL ENTITLE YOU TO 1 SET OF TRADING CARDS.

NOTE: When you send your coupons and 10¢, paste the coupons on a post card or attach them to the handy order blank on the right. You will find the coupons on the front page of any of the Lev. Gleason Comics mentioned above (**CRIME DOES NOT PAY, BOY, CRIME & PUNISHMENT, DAREDEVIL and BLACK DIAMOND**).

Order your set by number. Be sure to print your name and address plainly and mail to:

**PICTURE SET DIVISION,
Lev Gleason Publications,
114 E. 32nd St.
New York, 16, N. Y.**

This offer not valid in states where redemption of coupons is forbidden by law.

HERE ARE THE SETS Order By Number

When you send your coupons, choose the set or sets you want. Order them by number — but each set is **COMPLETE** and cards in each set **CANNOT** be changed. Order more sets as you want more cards.

SET NO. 1

SLUGGER
GRUESOME JONES
IRON JAW

SET NO. 3

ROCKY X
(of the Rocketeers)
BUMPER
CURLY

SET NO. 2

WISE GUYS GROUP
CRIMESUSTER
AND SOUEKS
RELIAPON

SET NO. 4

SCARECROW
SIMPLY SMITH
DILLY DUNCAN

SET NO. 5

BLACK DIAMOND AND RELIAPON
SOUEKS
THE VACUUM

ORDER BLANK

PICTURE SET DIVISION,
LEV GLEASON PUBLICATIONS, INC.

114 E. 32nd Street, Send cash, check
New York 16, N. Y. or money order. No
Friends: stamps.

Enclosed are trading picture coupons cut from Lev Gleason Comics and 10¢. Please send me the following sets of pictures: 12 coupons and 10¢ entitle me to 1 set of 3 pictures.

Set No. 1 ☐ Set No. 2 ☐ Set No. 3 ☐
Set No. 4 ☐ Set No. 5 ☐

My name is _____
(Please print)

My address is _____



look **SLIMMER!... look** **YOUNGER!...**

THE
SENSATIONAL
NEW

Whittlewaist
by **CHIQUÉ**

REDUCES

YOUR APPEARANCE

up to **2 to 4 INCHES**

4 to 6 Years Younger

instantly!

Never before has any foundation taken so many years off your figure — so comfortably, so surely! You'll feel younger, look better, walk more erectly. You'll thrill to every peek in a mirror—to every admiring, envious glance.

Say goodbye to bulges, to misplaced curves — here's perfection as you never dared expect it. This amazing new Whittlewaist literally whittles away rolls and bulges, adjusts to exactly the contours you want — a new figure at your fingertips.



**Whittlewaist
CORSELETTE**

Never before so many custom features at this low price. From the top of the bra to the bottom of the girdle, your complete figure is re-molded to contours of alluring beauty. Your bust is perfectly proportioned to your figure. Inches disappear from hips, waist and thighs. Your figure always under perfect control. Flexible Nylon Leno elastic between bra and girdle prevents unsightly midriff "roll" — gives every figure a custom fit. Pink or White. Hip measurements 27"-4" larger. Bust measurements 34-44, "B" and "C" cup.

\$798

Panty Corselette with removable crotch \$1.00 extra.

**WHITTLEWAIST
CORSELETTE**



Controlled by
Good Housekeeping

Whittlewaist GIRDLE

Never before so easy to trim unwanted inches off your midriff, waist and hips with real comfort. New, scientific construction whittles away rolls and bulges... slimming, easy-to-adjust rayon satin tummy panel laces right up to your bra. In powerful elastic. Pink and White.

All sizes from 25"-42" **\$498**

waist measure.

Panty Girdle with removable crotch \$1.00 extra.

RUSH NO-RISK COUPON NOW!

**10-DAY FULL MONEY-BACK
GUARANTEE!**

Wear an amazing Whittlewaist Girdle or Corselette by Chique for 10-days without risk.

Remember—Whittlewaist must take inches off your waist and tummy, must give you comfortable support, must give you slimmer thighs, narrower hips — must make your clothes look and fit better — or it costs you nothing! Order NOW!

Empire Merchandising Co. Dept. G7
63 Central Avenue
Ossining, N. Y.

Empire Merchandising Co. Dept. G7
63 CENTRAL AVE. OSSINING, N.Y.

Yes, please rush the "Whittlewaist", checked below.

- ☐ I enclose \$..... (I save up to 70¢ in postage and C.O.D. fee.)
☐ Enclosed \$1 Deposit. I will pay postman balance plus postage and C.O.D. fees.
☐ Regular CORSELETTE ☐ PANTY CORSELETTE with removable crotch.
☐ Regular GIRDLE ☐ PANTY GIRDLE with removable crotch.

Waist Size..... Name.....

Bust Size..... Address.....

Color..... City..... Zone..... State.....

ROCKY X

OF THE ROCKETEERS
IN "THE DEADLY BLUNDER"

STORY BY
CHARLES BIRG

COUNT SECONDS -
CUB NUMBER
ONE! YOU WILL
BE LAUNCHED IN
EXACTLY THIRTY!
ARE YOU
READY?

WHENEVER
YOU ARE!
ONE!

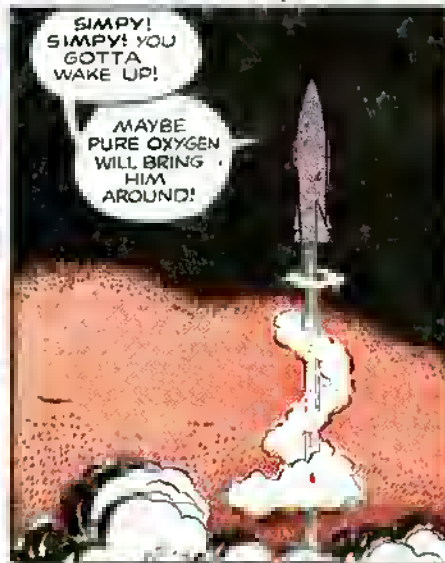
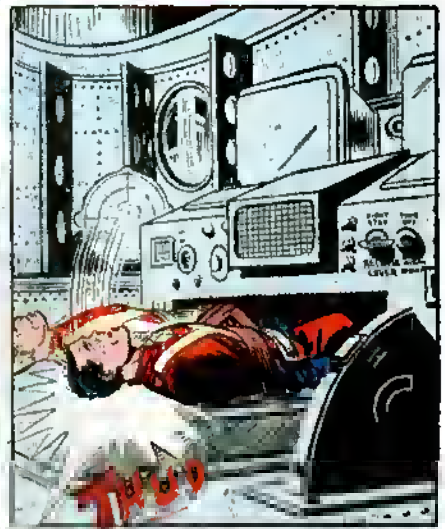
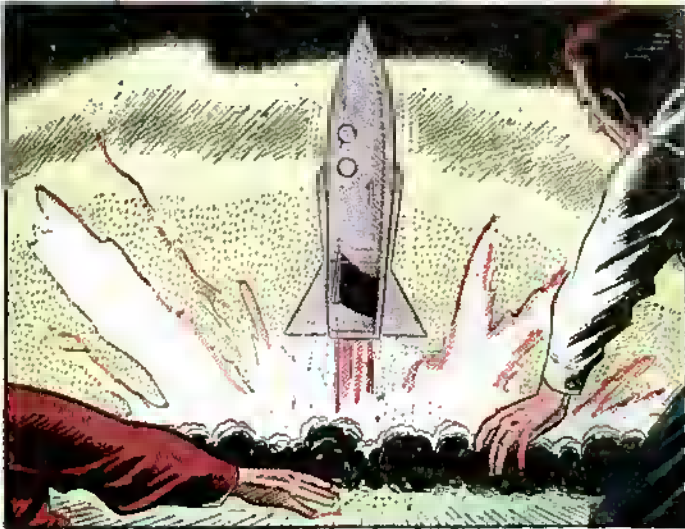
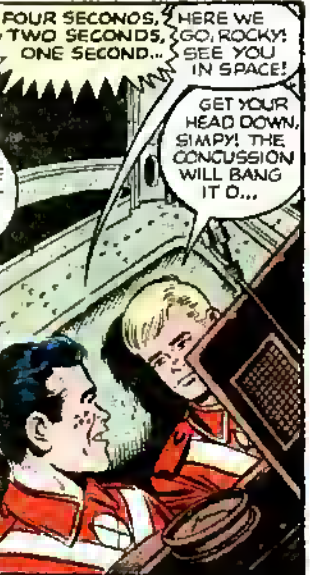
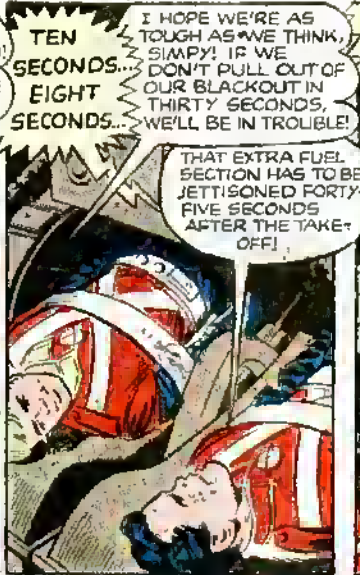
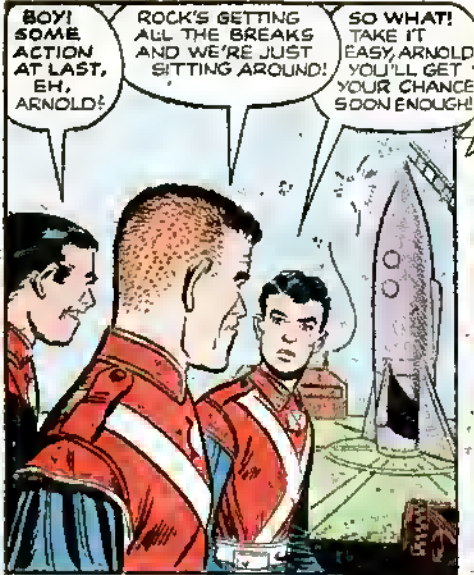
THIS IS IT,
DR. LIEBERT! THE
NEXT HOUR WILL
TELL US WHETHER
WE HAVE
SUCCEEDED!

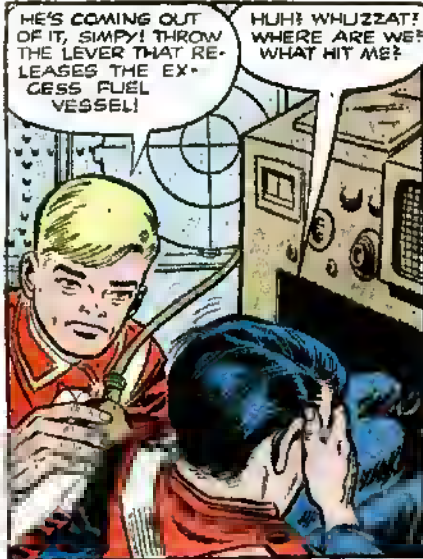
FRANKLY, GENTLE-
MEN, I'M WORRIED!
THESE BOYS HAVE
RECEIVED ONLY LIMITED
TRAINING, AND WE'RE
NOT EVEN SURE THE
SHIPS THEMSELVES
ARE PRACTICABLE!



IF THE HUMAN MIND COULD CONCEIVE THE ERUPTION OF A MILLION VOLCANOES, THE HEAT OF A MILLION STEEL FURNACES, THE COMBINED SOUND OF AS MANY THUNDER CLAPS, THEN YOU WOULD KNOW WHAT AWAITS ROCKY X OF THE ROCKETEERS WHEN HE COMMANDS THE FIRST SPACE SHIP EVER TESTED BY MAN!

Charles Birg





HUH? WHUZZAT? WHERE ARE WE? WHAT HIT ME?



OH, 'YEAH... EXTRA FUEL SECTION! THIS LEVER!

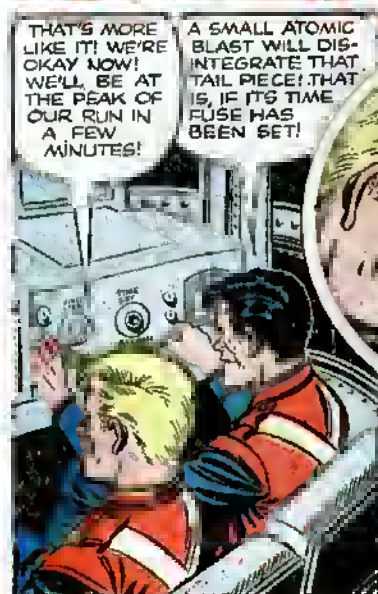
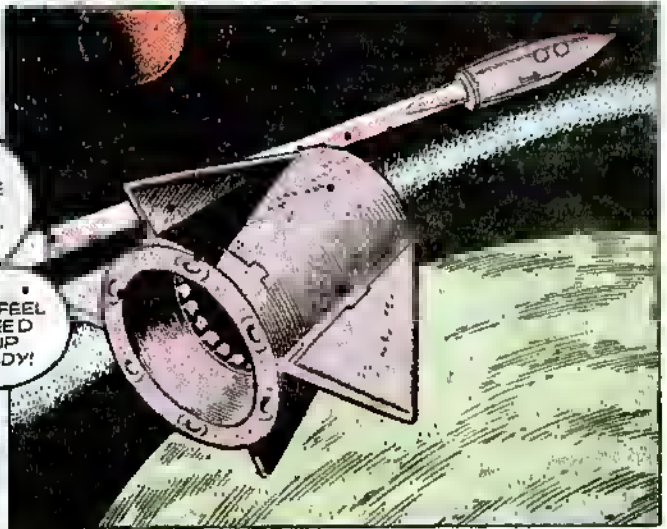


IT WON'T BUDGE! IT'S JAMMED!



THE SAFETY SWITCH! I FORGOT TO RELEASE IT! GEE, ROCKY, I WAS SO DAZED... THERE IT GOES!

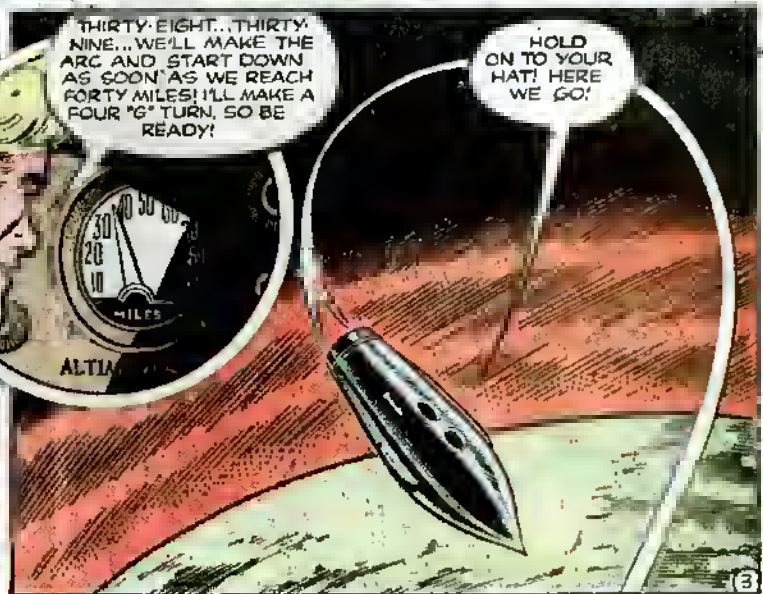
I CAN FEEL OUR SPEED PICK UP ALREADY!

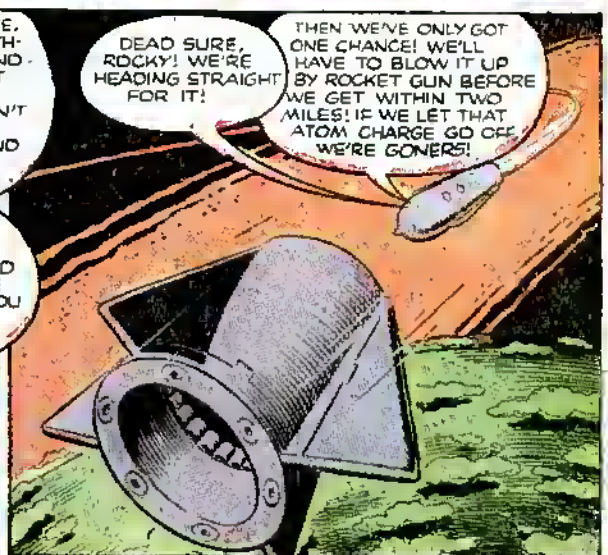
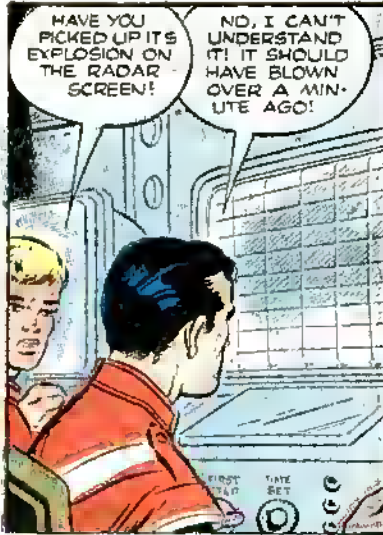


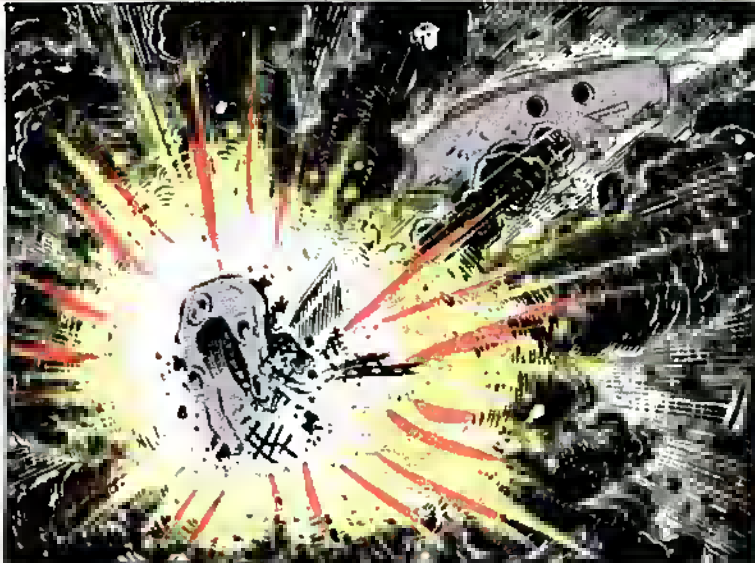
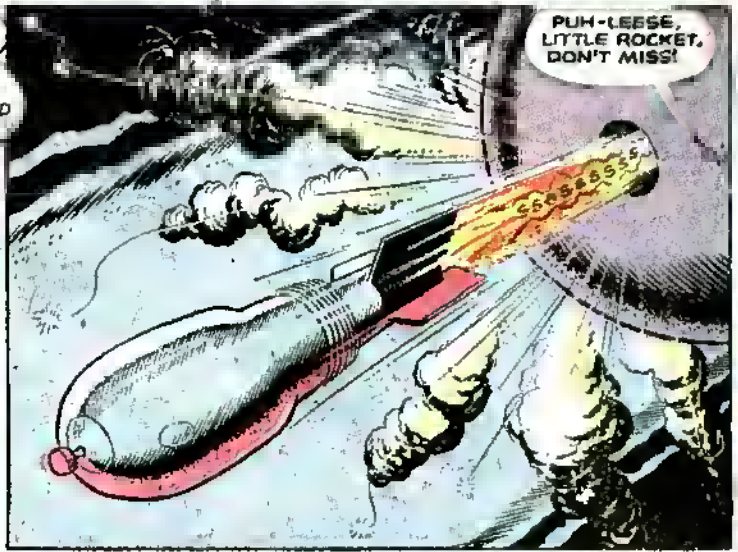
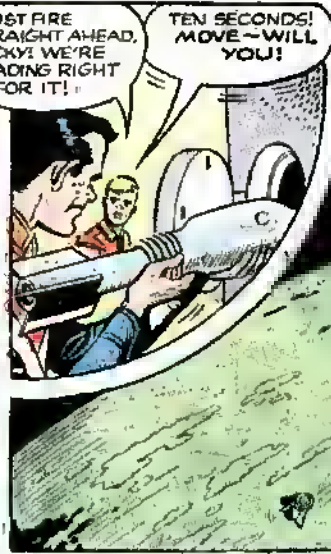
A SMALL ATOMIC BLAST WILL DIS-INTEGRATE THAT TAIL PIECE! THAT IS, IF ITS TIME FUSE HAS BEEN SET!



HOLD ON TO YOUR HAT! HERE WE GO!







THAT HUGE BLOTCH WHICH JUST APPEARED IS AN EXPLOSION AND THE ROCKET HAS DISAPPEARED!

I WAS AFRAID OF THIS! I TOLD YOU ALL WE WERE MOVING TOO FAST!

SHUT UP GORDON! IT'S TOUGH ENOUGH WITHOUT HAVING TO LISTEN TO YOUR GLOOMY PREDICTIONS! THAT EXPLOSION WAS PROBABLY THE FUEL SECTION DISINTEGRATING!

LOOK, CRAIG! SOMETHING IS CONTINUING TO FALL FROM THE BLAST AREA! IF IT'S THE ROCKET IT MUST HAVE BEEN CAUGHT IN THE EXPLOSION!

TEN MILES TO GO! GIVE ME THE SIGNAL WHEN YOU WANT THE WINGS EXTENDED, ROCKY!

I'VE CUT THE THRUST ENTIRELY SO OUR RATE OF SPEED WILL DECREASE! THEY MIGHT RIP OFF AT THIS SPEED, BUT WE CAN EXTEND THEM AS SOON AS WE DROP TO 600 M.P.H.!

OKAY! THROW THE SWITCH! FROM NOW ON, SIMPX WE'RE LITERALLY FLYING AN AIRPLANE!

THEY'RE OUT, ROCKY!

THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG! IT'S ACTING LIKE A MODEL T!

I'LL TAKE A LOOK OUT THE SPACEPORT! MAYBE WE EXTENDED THE WINGS TOO SOON!

ROCKY! THE STARBOARD WING WAS RIDDLED BY SHRAPNEL, AND THE PORT WING IS ALMOST COMPLETELY GONE!

WE CAN STILL LAND BY REVERSE ROCKET THRUST! RETRACT THE WINGS!

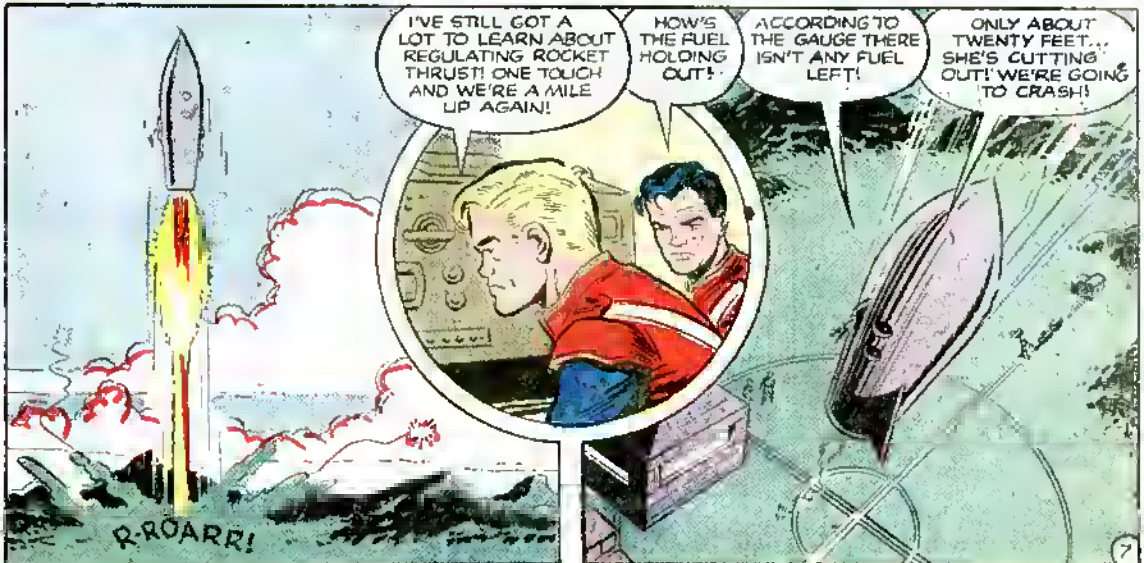
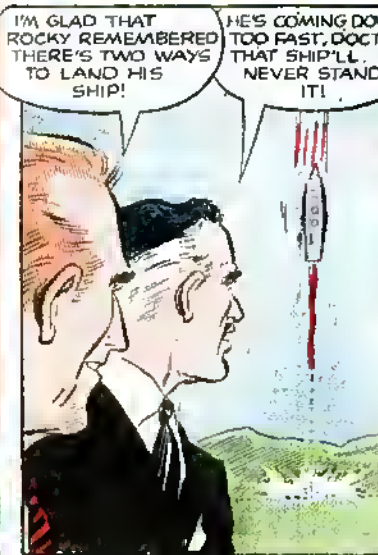
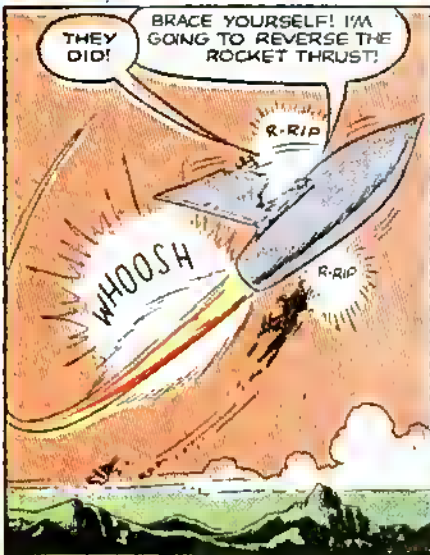
THE RETRACTION MECHANISM MUST BE DAMAGED, TOO! THEY'RE STUCK IN POSITION!

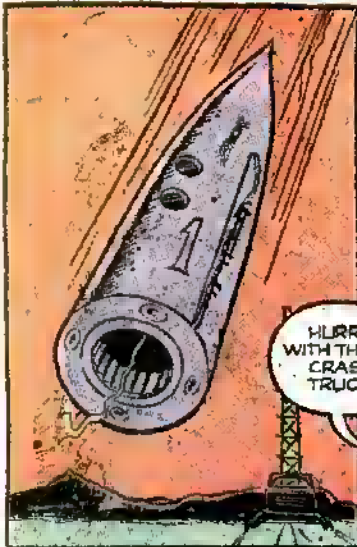
WE CAN'T GO ON LIKE THIS! WE'LL BE SHAKEN TO PIECES!

FIRE SOME FLARES, SO THEY'LL KNOW WE'RE IN TROUBLE! I'M GOING TO GIVE HER A FULL BLAST FROM ALL ROCKETS, AND TRY TO RIP THE WING OFF!

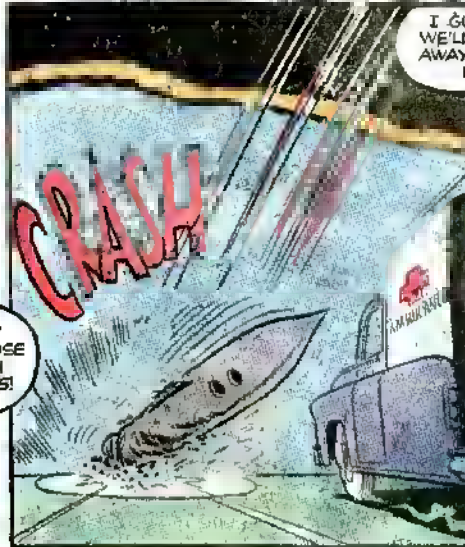
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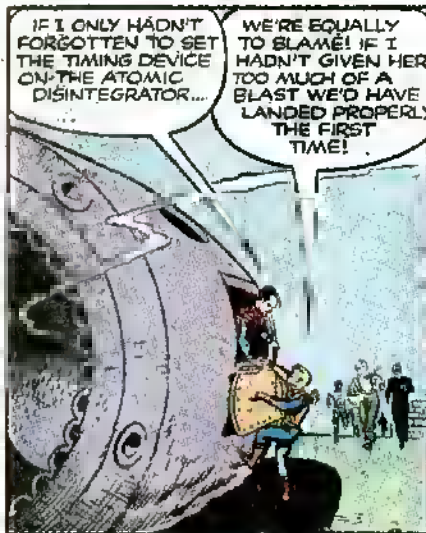
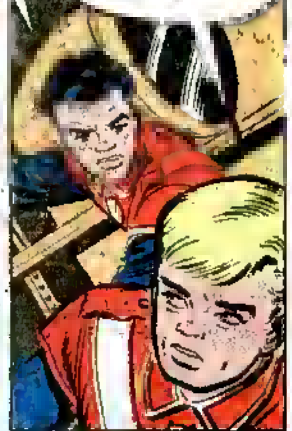


HURRY
WITH THOSE
CRASH
TRUCKS!



I GUESS
WE'LL WALK
AWAY FROM
IT!

BUT WHAT'LL
THEY SAY WHEN
THEY SEE THE MESS
WE'VE MADE OF
THE SHIP? WE'LL BE
WASHEO OUT!



IF I ONLY HADN'T
FORGOTTEN TO SET
THE TIMING DEVICE
ON THE ATOMIC
DISINTEGRATOR....

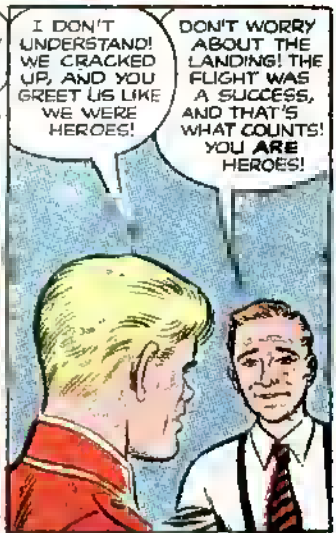
WE'RE EQUALLY
TO BLAME! IF I
HADN'T GIVEN HER
TOO MUCH OF A
BLAST WE'D HAVE
LANDED PROPERLY
THE FIRST TIME!



WORDS FAIL
ME, MEN! YOU
WERE
MAGNIFICENT!

WHAT?

HOORAY
FOR ROCKY
AND
SIMPLY!



I DON'T
UNDERSTAND!
WE CRACKED
UP, AND YOU
GREET US LIKE
WE WERE
HEROES!

DON'T WORRY
ABOUT THE
LANDING! THE
FLIGHT WAS A
SUCCESS,
AND THAT'S
WHAT COUNTS!
YOU ARE
HEROES!



I DON'T SEE
WHAT ALL THE
PRAISE IS ABOUT!
IT LOOKS LIKE
YOU PULLED
EVERY BOMER
IN THE BOOKS!

NO, HE'S
RIGHT!
WE DID
PULL
BOMERS-
BIG
ONES!

DON'T
APOLOGIZE,
SIMPLY!



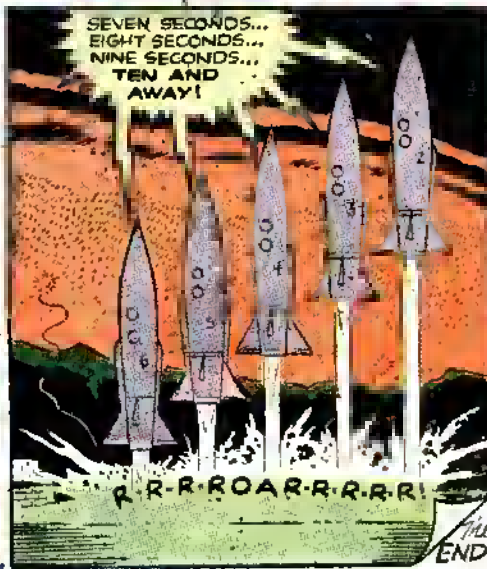
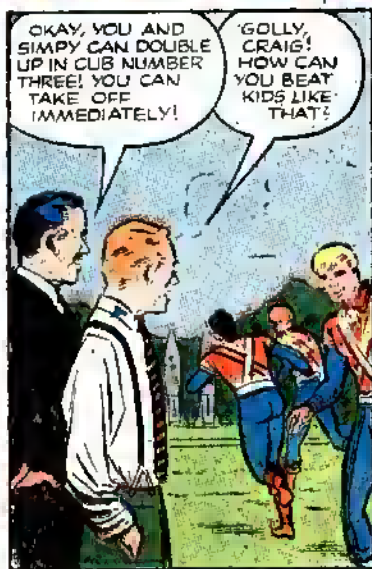
IF YOU'VE GOT ANY
BEEFS, ARNOLD, MAKE
THEM TO ME! SURE,
WE MADE MISTAKES,
BUT THAT DOESN'T
GIVE YOU THE RIGHT
TO RUB IT IN!

YOU'RE SUCH A
HOT SHOT, THAT
I DIDN'T THINK
IT WOULD BE
POSSIBLE FOR
YOU TO MAKE A
MISTAKE, OR DO
PRIVILEGED CHAR-
ACTERS MAKE THEM,
TOO?



I'M IN
COMMAND
OF THIS
OUTFIT, AND
I'M JUST ABOUT
FED UP WITH
YOUR CONSTANT
NEEDLING! YOU'RE
JUST BEGGING
FOR A BUST!

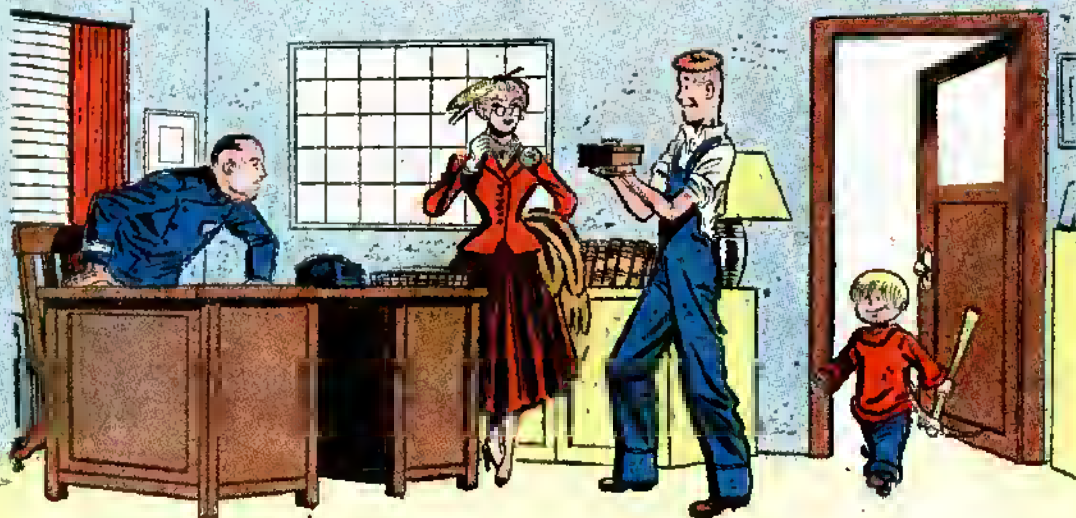
GO
AHEAD,
BREAK
ME! IF YOU
WEREN'T
THE O.C.
I'D KNOCK
YOUR
TEETH
IN!



REMEMBER THESE NUMBERS: 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 6!

HOW MANY WILL RETURN-IF ANY? WHAT UNBELIEVABLE THING HAPPENS TO THEM IN SPACE? SOMEWHERE IN THE ENDLESS SKY THERE IS ANOTHER TEST FLIGHT MORE WEIRD AND FANTASTIC THAN IMAGINATION CAN CONCEIVE! DON'T MISS ITS TERRIFYING, YET THRILLING SIGHT IN THE NEXT ISSUE, ON SALE AUGUST 27TH!

The Deserted Mine



As Mrs. Courtland, the town's richest widow, sat in Sergeant Mahoney's office filling out forms necessary to collect her insurance, she had little idea that the influence of television and the comics had led Scarecrow to sling a pick over his shoulder and head for the abandoned mine. Slugger was not far behind as the two trudged up the hill one late summer day.

"There's bound to be something here," mused Scarecrow, as he puffed up the hill.

"There must be or they never would have dug a mine in the first place," answered Slugger.

"If we find gold do you think we'll be able to recognize it?" queried Scarecrow.

"Of course, you dope," answered Slugger.

The two climbed on and on up the hill, feeling like the forty niners. Jock and Curly had shrugged off the idea of finding gold in the old mine but Slugger and Scarecrow were determined to try. Finally reaching the mine, Scarecrow sat down on a rock exhausted.

"Whew," sighed Scarecrow, "that's some climb. Hope it's worth our while."

"This is it!" panted Slugger. "Let's start digging."

Slugger poked his nose into the opening of the mine and looked in in wonderment. "It's dark in there, Scarecrow," he said.

"What did you expect," answered Scarecrow, "fluorescent lighting?"

Scarecrow got up from the rock and the two poked their heads into the gaping black hole which was the entrance to the mine. Eager to be on with their work, they walked

in feeling their way with the aid of Scarecrow's flashlight.

"I don't know where we should start digging," mused Slugger.

"There's no place like right here. So, here goes!" said Scarecrow as he heaved the pick into the wall of the mine. Loose rock and old timber started to fall down with a crash and Slugger was perturbed.

"Scarecrow, be careful," he exclaimed. "Don't bury us alive!"

Scarecrow was startled by the falling rock and ceased picking. "Maybe I'm not digging in the right place."

"Maybe you're not," answered Slugger. "That's just the wall of the mine. Let's go down to the end."

Slugger and Scarecrow poked their way down the dark corridor of the mine. On and on they walked and soon felt they must be right in the heart of the mountain.

"This is pretty spooky," shuddered Slugger. "I'd hate to get trapped in here."

"Yeah," answered Scarecrow, "maybe this mining isn't such a good idea after all."

"Well, let's give it a try," encouraged Slugger as he swung his pick toward the rock wall.

Scarecrow swung his pick and the two, by the light of the feeble flashlight, made little progress in the wall of rock. They dug and they dug and they picked and they picked. Finally, simultaneously, they sat down on the cold floor of the mine exhausted.

"I haven't seen anything that even looks like gold," said Scarecrow.

"Not a scratch, not a vein, not anything," answered the discouraged Slugger.

"Maybe we should call it a day," suggested Scarecrow hopefully.

"Maybe we should," answered Slugger.

Back they trudged down the long corridor. Finally they saw the glimmer of daylight at the end of the mine and both felt relieved to see that the world of reality was not far off. Scarecrow in his enthusiasm over seeing daylight, swung his pick one final time into the crumbly wall of the mine. There was a crack, a crumble, and suddenly rocks, rotten timber and dirt started falling on top of Slugger and Scarecrow.

"Scarecrow," screamed Slugger, "what are you doing?"

Rocks continued to roll on top of them, then they heard a clank as if something metal had hit the rock below, then there was silence. The wall stopped falling in and Scarecrow and Slugger, both covered with dirt, looked at each other in amazement.

As Scarecrow fumbled through the debris looking for his flashlight, his hand touched something cold and hard and square. "A square nugget," he thought, but was afraid to mention this to Slugger. In the dark he felt the object more closely. "No, not a nugget, a box," he thought. Then he said, "Hey, Slugger. I found something."

Slugger shrugged in disgust and answered, "What, Scarecrow? A vein of gold?"

"I don't know," muttered Scarecrow excitedly. "I can't tell in the dark."

The two hurried toward the entrance to the mine. Scarecrow clutched the square object in his hand. When they came into the light, they both looked down and saw that Scarecrow held a very small metal box. Scarecrow opened the box, gasped and sat down. Slugger peered in and he gasped and sat down. Inside the box was a ruby and diamond necklace.

"What do we do now?" asked Slugger.

"I don't know," answered Scarecrow. "This necklace couldn't have just accidentally got in the mine."

"Someone must have put it there," mused Slugger. "But why? And when?"

"Maybe it was a long time ago and it's been forgotten," answered Scarecrow hopefully.

"And maybe the owner has gone away and we can have it because we found it," said Slugger.

"Yeah, but you'd look awfully silly wearing this thing," chortled Scarecrow.

"There really is nothing for us to do but take it to the police," continued Slugger. "Let's get going!"

Sergeant Mahoney was sitting at his desk in headquarters musing over the final details of Mrs. Courtland's case. It might have been robbery, but more likely it was just accidental loss. She was smart to carry the large amount of insurance she did and now she would have no trouble collecting for her loss.

Just as Sergeant Mahoney was ready to sign the final release on Mrs. Courtland's case, the door swung open and there were Slugger and Scarecrow. Both were covered with dirt and looked like they'd rolled all the way down the mountain.

"What's on your mind?" queried the Sergeant as the two dirty boys walked into the office.

"Look what we found," said Scarecrow breathlessly, holding out his dirty hand which clutched the small metal box.

Sergeant Mahoney took the box, opened it and gasped. He sank back in his chair in amazement and was silent for a moment. Then he said, "Where did you find this?"

"Up in the mine," explained Slugger.

"Well, well, well," was all Sergeant Mahoney could say.

Slugger was about to ask the Sergeant what all this was about when the door opened. Mrs. Courtland walked into the office. She was well dressed, as always, wearing a mink coat over an expensive suit. Slugger noticed that the Sergeant quickly slipped the box into his pocket and he knew Mrs. Courtland didn't see him do it.

"Good afternoon, Sergeant Mahoney," said Mrs. Courtland. "Are all the papers ready on my case now? I'm anxious to settle this thing."

"Well, Mrs. Courtland," answered the Sergeant, "they were all ready but they'll have to be done again. There's been a slight revision in the case."

"What do you mean, Sergeant. I thought it was just a routine thing. I lost my necklace and I want to collect the insurance. That's all there is to it," impatiently said Mrs. Courtland.

"It just so happens that your necklace has been found, Mrs. Courtland," continued the Sergeant.

Mrs. Courtland looked at the Sergeant in amazement and replied, "But, how, where, it couldn't . . ."

Sergeant Mahoney had surprised Mrs. Courtland so by the discovery that she soon confessed that she had hidden the necklace so she could collect the insurance on it. Sergeant Mahoney threw a grateful glance at Scarecrow and Slugger and Mrs. Courtland sank into a chair like a deflated balloon.

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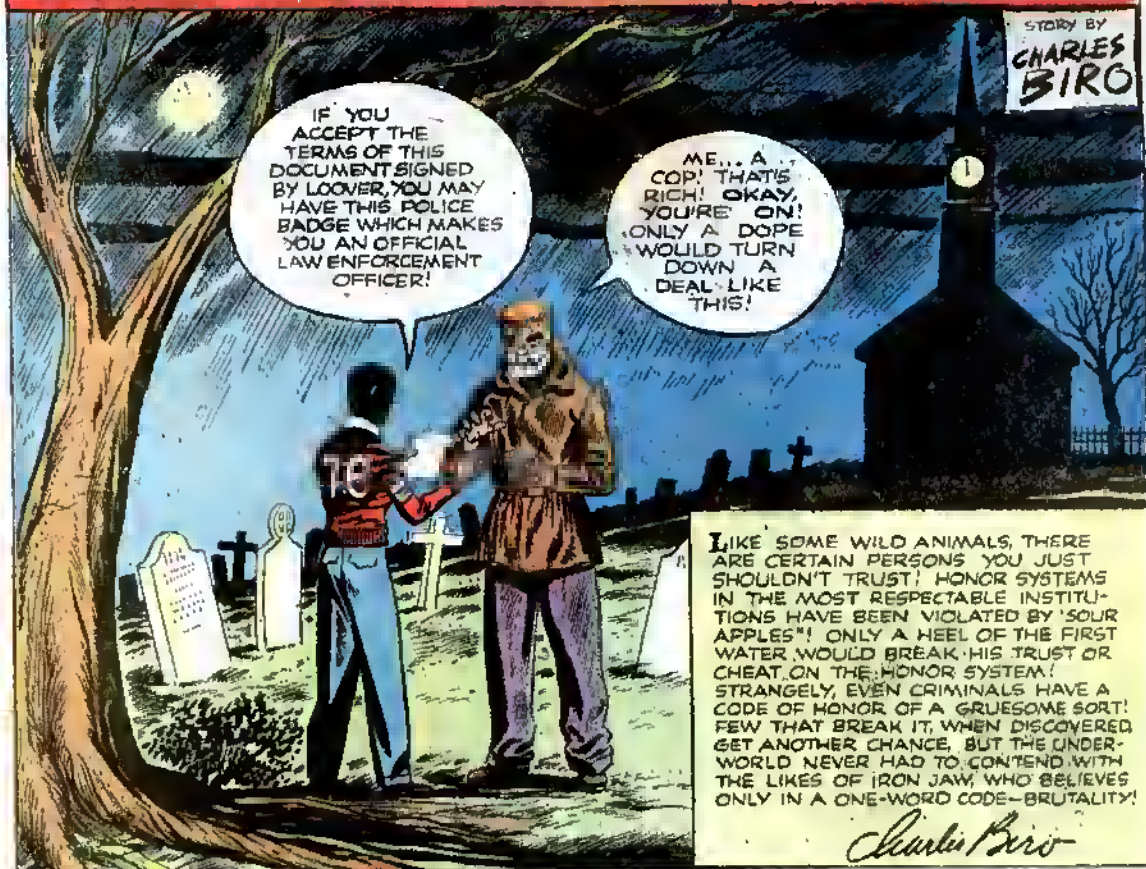
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Charles Biro

STARTING WITH YOU, SNIFFER, I'M GOING TO PULVERIZE THE TWELVE OF YOU! NOBODY CROSSES IRON JAW AND LIVES!

WELL, NOW AIN'T YOU THE BIG BRAVE ONE! JUST HOW DO YA PROPOSE TA GET TO US?

SILENCE, IRON JAW, AND THAT GOES FOR YOU, TOO, DEADLY DOZEN! I'M NOT GOING TO...

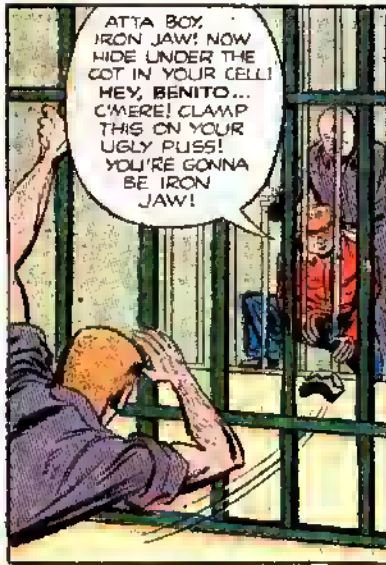
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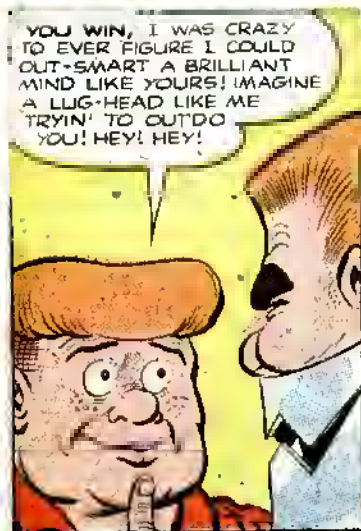
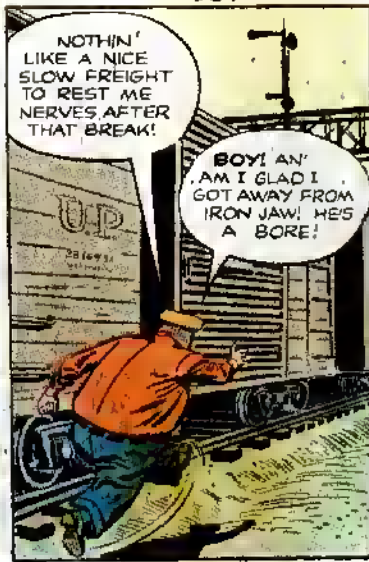
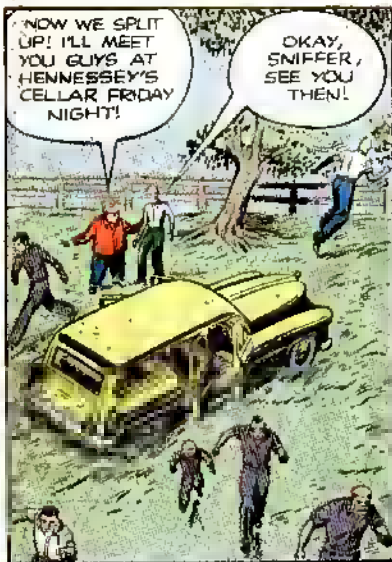
CELL LOCK 2

HOW ABOUT A TRUCE, IRON JAW? I'VE GOT A PLAN FOR A BREAK! TAKE THAT HUNK OF PIG IRON! YOU CALL A JAW OFF AND SLIDE IT OVER HERE!

IF THIS IS ANOTHER ONE OF YOUR TRICKS, SNIFFER, I'LL...







MR. CHAIRMAN, OUR CLUB'S CONSTITUTION LIMITS OUR MEMBERSHIP! I QUOTE "UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL THE DEADLY DOZEN'S MEMBERSHIP EXCEED TWELVE," WHICH ANY STOOP KNOWS IS, ONE DOZEN!



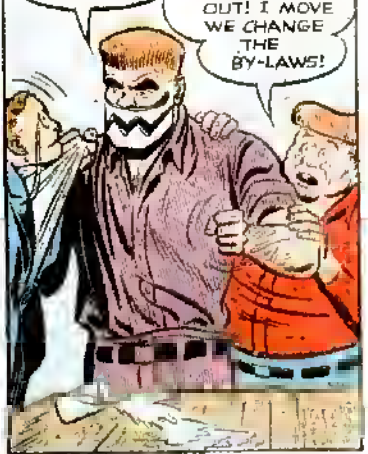
ALSO RULE SEVEN STATES "NO NEW MEMBER MAY BE ADDED TO THE DEADLY DOZEN UNLESS FIRST AN ORIGINAL MEMBER GETS BUMPED OFF OR RESIGNS"!

THEN, IT'S ALL VERY SIMPLE... WHICH ONE OF YOU WILL RESIGN?



OR IF RESIGNING IS SO UNPOPULAR, THEN WHO PREFERS TO DIE?

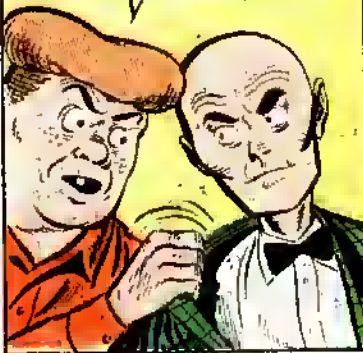
NOW... NOW, THAT WON'T BE NECESSARY! THIS CAN ALL BE WORKED OUT! I MOVE WE CHANGE THE BY-LAWS!



SNIFFER MOVES WE CHANGE THE BY-LAWS! ANYONE? SECOND THE MOTION... ANYONE... NO... NO ONE? THE MOVE TO CHANGE THE BY-LAWS IS STYMIED! AND IT WOULDN'T HAVE PASSED ANYHOW!



SKULLY, DON'T GIVE ME NONE OF YOUR LIP... JUST RESIGN! I FIGURE YOU'RE DOIN' THE NOBLEST ACT IN YER LIFE— 'CAUSE UNLESS IRON JAW GETS IN HE'S GONNA BITE SOME-BOY'S HEAD OFF! I'LL FIX THINGS SO YA GET BACK IN!



DUE TO...ER... CIRCUMSTANCES I CANNOT DISCUSS, I HEREBY RESIGN!

I HEREBY NOMINATE IRON JAW TO TAKE SKULLY'S MEMBERSHIP!



UPON VOTE OF THE CLUB YOU HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED AS A MEMBER OF THE DEADLY DOZEN!

GOOD! NOW THAT THAT'S SETTLED, LET'S GET DOWN TO BUSINESS! FROM NOW ON THIS VOTING BUNK IS OUT! WHAT I SAY GOES AND THERE'S ONLY ONE BOSS— ME!

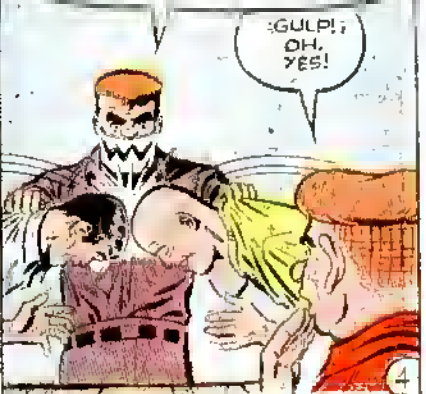


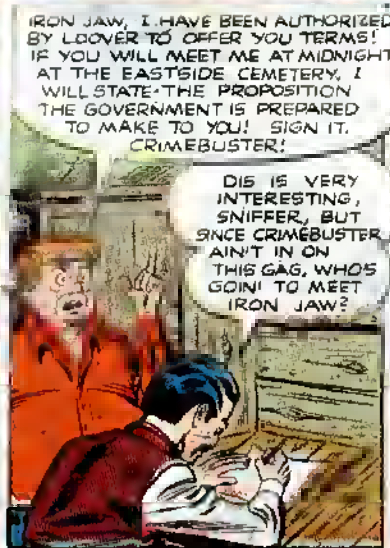
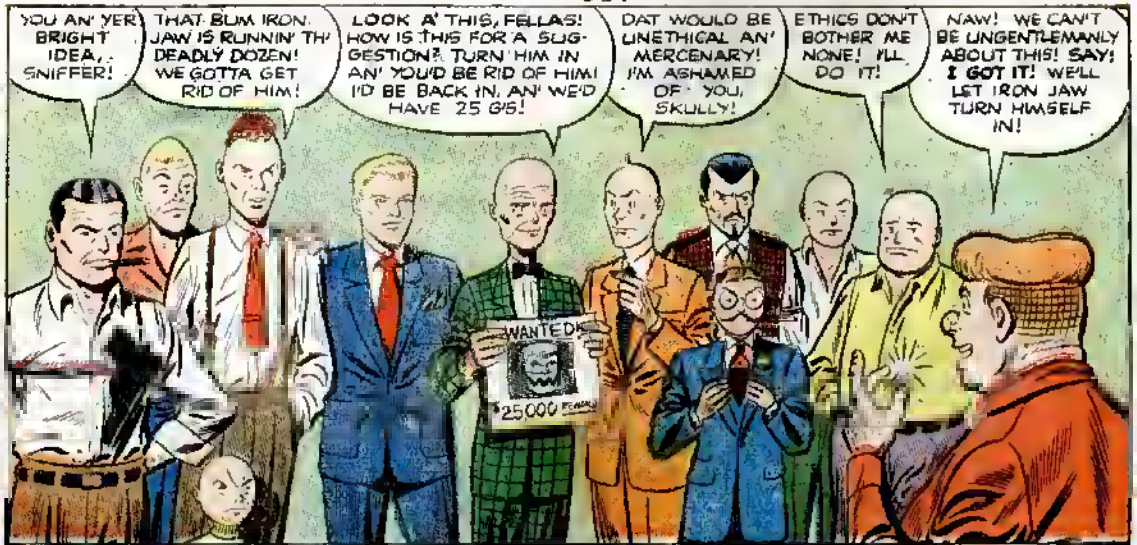
I SIT AT THE HEAD OF THE TABLE FROM NOW ON!

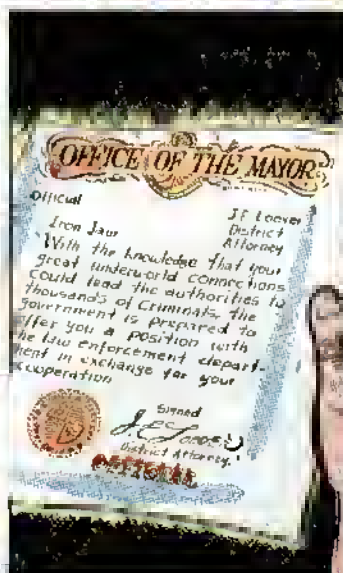
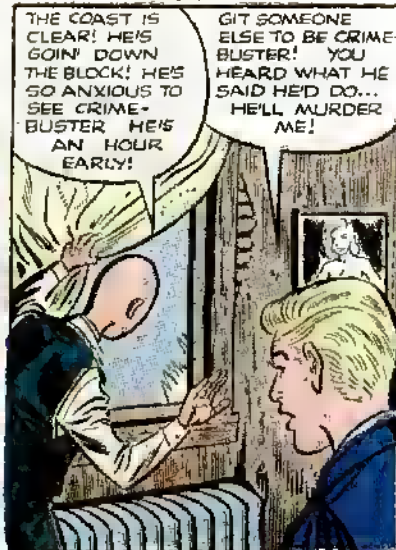


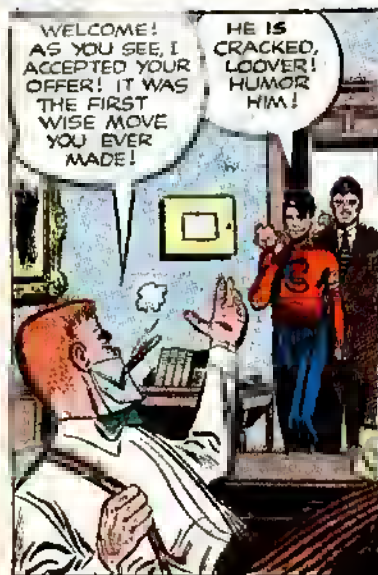
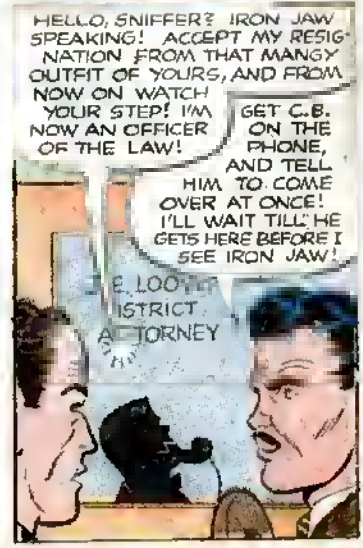
AND THIS IS HOW I SETTLE ANY DIFFERENCE OF OPINION! FROM NOW ON, YOU TAKE ORDERS FROM ME! IT WOULD BE A SHAME FOR ANY OF THE MEMBERS TO DIE AND HAVE TO BE REPLACED BECAUSE THEY DISAGREED WITH THE GREAT NEW LEADER— YES, SNIFFER?

GULP! OH, YES!





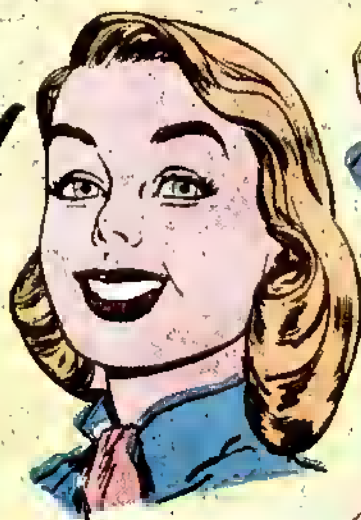






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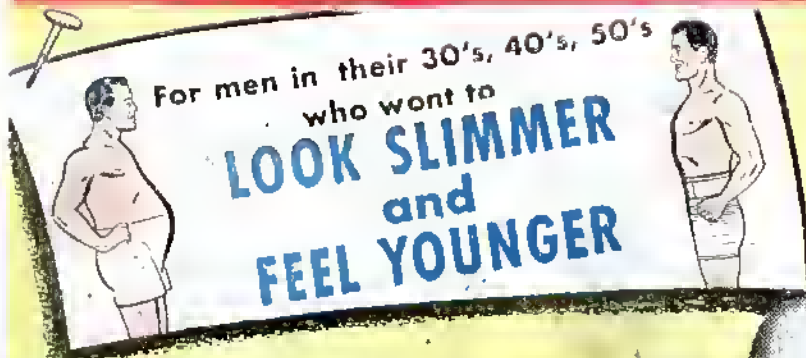
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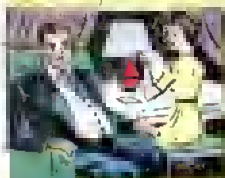


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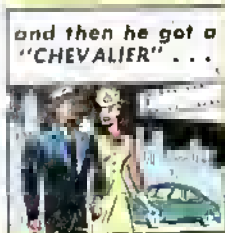
Why go on day after day with an "old-man's" mid-section bulge... or with a tired back that needs posture support? Just see how "Chevalier" brings you vital control where you need it most! "Chevalier" has a built-in strap. You adjust the belt the way you want. Presto! Your "bay-window" bulge is lifted in... flattened out—yet you feel wonderfully comfortable!



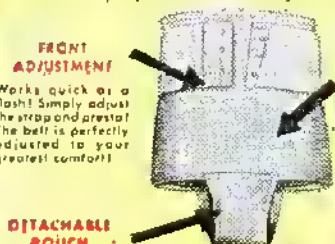
**POSTURE BAD?
Got a "Bay Window"?**



**DO YOU ENVY MEN
who can
'KEEP ON THEIR FEET'?**



**YOU NEED A
"CHEVALIER"!**



**FRONT
ADJUSTMENT**
Works quick as a flash! Simply adjust the strap and presto! The belt is perfectly adjusted to your greatest comfort!

**TWO-WAY
3-T-8-1-T-C-M
WONDER CLOTH**
Firmly holds in your flabby abdomen yet it stretches as you breathe, bend, stoop, after meals, etc.

**DETACHABLE
POUCH**

An added! Scientifically designed and made to give wonderful support and protection!

Healthful, Enjoyable Abdominal Control

It's great! You can wear "Chevalier" all day long. Will not bind or make you feel constricted. That's because the two-way 3-t-8-1-t-c-m cloth plus the front adjustment bring you personalized fit. The "Chevalier" is designed according to scientific facts of healthful posture control. It's made by experts to give you the comfort and healthful "lift" you want. Just see all the wonderful features below. And remember—you can get the "Chevalier" on a FREE TRIAL. Mail the coupon right now!



**Rear View
FITS SNUG AT
SMALL OF BACK**
Firm, comfortable support. Feels good!

FREE Extra Pouch. The Chevalier has a removable pouch made of a soft, comfortable fabric that absorbs perspiration. So that you can change it regularly we include an extra pouch, limited offer. Order yours today.

FREE TRIAL OFFER

You risk nothing! Just mail coupon—be sure to give name and address, also waist measure, etc. — and mail TODAY!



2. Try on the "Chevalier". Adjust belt the way you want. See how your bulging "bay-window" looks streamlined... how comfortable you feel. How good it fits!



3. Wear the "Chevalier" for 10 whole days if you want to! Wear it to work, evenings, while bowling, etc. The "Chevalier" must help you look and feel "like a million" or you can send it back! See offer in coupon!



SEND NO MONEY: JUST MAIL COUPON

**RONNIE SALES, INC. Dept. 6721-E
487 Broadway, New York 13, N. Y.**

Send me for 10 days' FREE TRIAL a CHEVALIER HEALTH-SUPPORTER BELT. I will pay postman \$3.98 (plus postage) with the understanding that includes my FREE pouch. In 10 days, I will either return CHEVALIER to you and you will return my money, or otherwise my payment will be a full and final purchase price.

My waist measure is _____
(Send string the size of your waist if no tape measure is handy)

Name _____

Address _____

City and Zone _____ State _____

Save 45¢ postage. We pay postage if you enclose payment now. Same Free Trial and refund privilege.

RONNIE SALES, INC., Dept. 6721-E, 487 Broadway, N. Y. 13, N. Y.

You Can WIN

This 15" tall
SILVER TROPHY
JUST AS I DID IN
10 MINUTES
OF FUN
A DAY!

I GAINED 53 LBS. OF SHAPELY POWER-PACKED MUSCLES!

Which of these
2 ME'S
is **YOU**?

-THAT 112 LB.-6 FT.

SPINDLE-ARMED **SISSY** below
WAS ME
A FEW SHORT WEEKS AGO

THIS MAY BE
YOUR LAST
CHANCE
TO GET FOR
ALL 5 **10¢**
PICTURE
PACKED COURSES
MILLIONS HAVE
BEEN SOLD FOR
\$1 AND MORE

When I enrolled I was a skinny, sick weakling, so you can see in my "Before" Photo I looked like a child, 11 years younger than my age. I was ashamed to take a picture in bathing trunks so I do now. I was shy with girls because I had nothing to show off. A few weeks after starting the Jowett Course my body was the best in the neighborhood. Now I get respect and admiration from every fellow and girl I meet.

Roger D. Hirsch
NEW YORK

There's that
skinny scarecrow
ROGER. Let's
pass him by!



ROGER HIRSCH
was a 112 lb. 6 ft. WEAKLING.
Look at him NOW—
A MOVIE-STAR HE-MAN

from Head to Toe
as YOU
can be
soon!

YES! You'll see INCH upon INCH of MIGHTY MUSCLE added to YOUR ARMS. Your CHEST deepened. Your BACK AND SHOULDERS broadened. From head to heels, you'll gain SOLIDITY, SIZE, POWER, SPEED! You'll become an ALL-Around, ALL-American HE-MAN, A WINNER in everything you tackle—or my Training won't cost you one solitary cent.

Develop YOUR 520 MUSCLES
Gain Pounds, INCHES, FAST!

Friend, I've traveled the world. Made a LIFETIME STUDY of every way known to develop your body. Then I devised the BEST by TEST, my "5-WAY PROGRESSIVE POWER" the only method that builds you 5 ways fast. You save YEARS, DOLLARS like movie star Tom Tyler did. Like champ Roger Hirsch did. Like MANY THOUSANDS like you did. SO Mel coupon NOW!

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NO! friend you
don't have to be
SKINNY any more
just mail **NOW**
the **FREE**
coupon below
as I did. Soon
YOU can add

6 1/2 inches to your **CHEST**
3 inches to each **ARM**
FREE
and the rest
in proportion
just as I did.

Come on, PAL, NOW
YOU GIVE ME
10 PLEASANT MINUTES A
DAY IN YOUR HOME... AND I'LL GIVE
YOU a NEW HE-MAN BODY
For Your OLD SKELETON FRAME.

George P. Jowett World's Greatest
Builder of HE-MEN

NO! I don't care how skinny or flabby you are; If you're a teen-ager, in your 20's or 30's or over; If you're short or tall, or what work you do. All I want is JUST 10 EXCITING MINUTES in your home to MAKE YOU OVER by the SAME METHOD I turned myself from a wreck to a Champion of Champions.



GEORGE P. JOWETT
"Champion of Champions"
4 Times Winner
Perfect
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BOTH FREE FOR QUICK ACTION!
1. Photo Book of STRONG MEN
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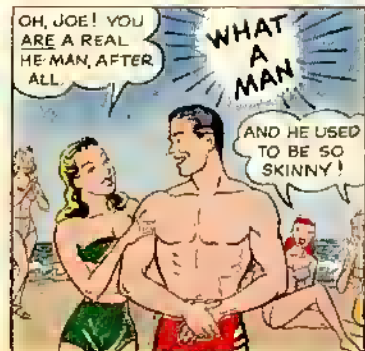
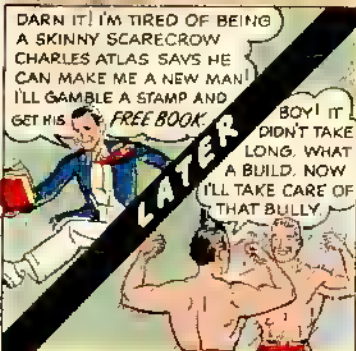
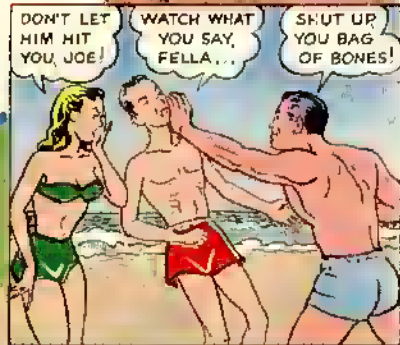
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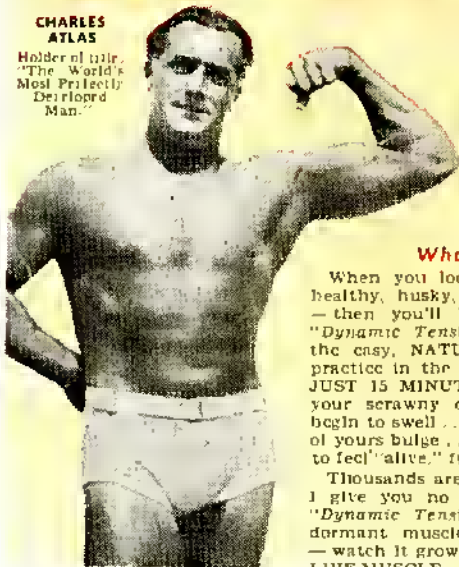
...YER RIBS ARE SHOWING!



I Can Make YOU a New Man, Too, In Only 15 Minutes a Day!

CHARLES ATLAS

Holder of title, "The World's Most Perfectly Developed Man."



PEOPLE used to laugh at my skinny 97-pound body. I was ashamed to strip for sports or for a swim. Girls made fun of me behind my back. THEN I discovered my body-building system, "Dynamic Tension." It made me such a complete specimen of manhood that I hold the title, "The World's Most Perfectly Developed Man."

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